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## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

- (Original) A method of treating erectile dysfunction in a patient, comprising the steps of:
  aerosolizing a formulation comprising sildenafil;
  inhaling the aerosolized formulation into the lungs of a patient; and
  allowing particles comprising sildenafil to deposit on lung tissue, and enter the patient's
  circulatory system.
  - 2. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising: administering a bolus dose of an androgenic hormone to the patient.
- 3. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein the administering of the androgenic hormone is by:

aerosolizing a formulation comprised of an androgenic hormone; inhaling acrosolized androgenic hormone; and allowing the androgenic hormone to deposit on lung tissue.

- 4. (Original) The method of claim 3, wherein the androgenic hormone is selected from the group consisting of testosterone and dihydrotestosterone.
- 5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the aerosolized particles are comprised of particles having a diameter in a range of from about 1 to about 5 microns.
- 6. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the formulation further comprises a testosterone.
- 7. (Currently Amended) A method of claim 19, wherein the <del>vasodilator</del> formulation comprises

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a composition selected from a PDE5 inhibitor, a growth hormone-releasing peptide receptor agonist, a 5-hydroxytryptamine receptor agonist, a dopamine receptor agonist, a melanocortin receptor agonist, an α-adrenoceptor antagonist, alprostadil, papaverine, phentolamine, vasoactive intestinal peptide, guanylyl cyclases, a rho-kinase antagonist, oxytocin, an oxytocin receptor agonist, or an inhibitor of neuropeptide Y, or a combination thereof.

- 8. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 or 7, wherein an erection is realized in less then 30 minutes.
- 9. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 or 7, wherein an erection is realized in less than 20 minutes.
- 10. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 or 7, wherein an erection is realized in less than 10 minutes.
  - 11. (Original) The method of claim 1 or 7, wherein the formulation is a liquid formulation.
  - 12. (Original) The method of claim 1 or 7, wherein the formulation is a dry powder.
- 13. (Original) The method of claim 1 or 7, wherein the formulation comprises a pressurized propellant.
  - 14. 18. (Canceled)
- 19. (Previously Presented) A method of treating erectile dysfunction in a patient, comprising the steps of:
  - aerosolizing a formulation comprising a vasodilator;
  - inhaling the aerosolized formulation into the lungs of a patient; and
- allowing particles comprising the vasodilator to deposit on lung tissue and enter the patient's circulatory system.